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ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER

This application was electronically received by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on July 27, 2009. A review of the application revealed that it is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the

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application is herewith being returned to the Examiner to address the following matter(s) requiring attention prior to docketing.

**AMENDMENT OF APPEAL BRIEF SECTION IN RESPONSE TO
NOTIFICATION OF NON-COMPLIANT BRIEF**

Appellant filed an amended appeal brief dated May 15, 2009. There is no indication on the record that the Examiner has considered the above document.

CONCLUSION

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the application is returned to the Examiner to:

- 1) consider the amended brief filed May 15, 2009 as required; and
- 2) for such further action as may be appropriate.

If there are any questions pertaining to this Order, please contact the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences at 571-272-9797.

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